

Country Profile: Virgin Islands, British

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Country Resources

Topographic

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
British Virgin Islands 1:25,000 Scale Topographic Maps (E837 / DOS 346)	DOS	1:25,000	1959 - 1960	6

Thematic

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
The World 1:30,000,000 Scale Topographic Map Series 1145 (NGA)	DMA	1:30,000,000		2

Global Census Archive: GIS Census Data

East View Geospatial has an ongoing effort to add GIS census data to our Global Census Archive program. Please contact us for the status and availability of British Virgin Islands census resources.

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Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Soviet Military City Plans	VTU GSh	Varies	1944 - 2003	3,020
Soviet Military 1:100,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:100,000	1947 - 1999	24,897
Soviet Military 1:200,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:200,000	1949 - 2009	17,799
Soviet Military 1:500,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:500,000	1953 - 1998	3,093

Nautical

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
NGA Nautical Charts POD Certified (All Scales)	NGA	Varies	1943 - 2013	4,517

Aeronautical

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Joint Operations Graphic (JOG 1501A) 1:250,000 - Aeronautical	DMA	1:250,000	1958 - 2007	4,204
Tactical Pilotage Chart (TPC) 1:500,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:500,000	1967 - 2006	598
Operational Navigation Chart (ONC) 1:1,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:1,000,000	1969 - 2001	243
Jet Navigation Chart (JNC) 1:2,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:2,000,000	1971 - 1999	117
Global Navigation and Planning Chart (GNC) 1:5,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:5,000,000	1981 - 1999	27

Geoscientific

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Soviet Military 1:1,000,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:1,000,000	1948 - 1994	1,089

Note: East View Geospatial is continuously sourcing new resources that may not yet be listed in Global Explorer. Please contact us if you have geodata needs beyond what is listed above and we will be happy to discuss available off-the-shelf and custom solutions.

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The British Virgin Islands are a British colony with internal self-government. They have been mapped by the British **Directorate of Overseas Surveys** (now **Ordnance Survey International (OSI)**). Some early mapping was done in the late 1940s using USAAF photography, but the principal series at 1:25,000 scale (DOS 346) was compiled in 1959 using 1953 air photography, and was published in 1960. The current sheets in this series are in their third or fifth editions, having been revised from 1981 photography, from incomplete 1:2,500 scale mapping and from field compilations. Sheet 6 *Anegada*, a low-lying coralline island, is a color photomap published in 1977; the other five sheets are conventional five-color line maps all published in 1984. They have 25 ft contours, UTM grid, and the projection is Transverse Mercator, Clarke 1866 ellipsoid.

In 1982, a derived tourist map of the whole island group was published at a scale of 1:63,360 (DOS 446), superseding an earlier general map at 1:100,000 scale. This map has 250 ft contours and the relief is enhanced with layer tints and hill shading. There is an alphanumeric grid based on the UTM, and an inset map of Road Town. A new edition was published in 1991.

1:2,500 scale maps covering Tortola, Virgin Gorda and part of Jost Van Dyke (DOS 046) were published between 1972 and 1986.

Soviet military topographic mapping of the British Virgin Islands is available at the following scales: 1:1,000,000 (1 sheet, complete coverage, published in 1966); 1:500,000 (1 sheet, complete coverage, published in 1979) and 1:200,000 (2 sheets, complete coverage, published 1966-1967). These products are available in print, digital raster and digital vector GIS formats from **East View Geospatial**.

Tourist/Reference

Commercially produced tourist maps are published **Berndtson and Berndtson (B&B)**, **International Travel Maps (ITM)** and **Cartographers Ltd**.

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